

## ELECTION OUTLOOK GRAVEL DISTURBS HOUSE REPUBLICANS

Cannonism and Tariff Admitted to Be Causing Serious Apprehension.

### REGULARS WORRIED, INSURGENTS CHEERY

Reports From New England, New York, Ohio, and Middle West Not Considered Reassuring.

By JOHN SNURE.

Republican members of the House, especially those responsible for the conduct of the Congressional campaign, make no secret of the fact they are gravely disturbed over the outlook for Republican victory at the fall elections.

Comparatively few members of the Republican side of the House who are seeking re-election will say they regard the outlook for a Democratic victory such as not to warrant the show of confidence which the Democrats are now exhibiting. This is especially true of Republican members from close districts. The tendency is for the regulars to be much more perturbed than insurgents.

Leading Republicans of the House belonging to the regular organization admit the issue of Cannonism is causing them much embarrassment. They feel that possibly the Democrats will in some fashion be beaten, after all, on the ground that it has been so long since the Democrats were able to carry the House that they are not likely to pull together this time. This hope is the chief prop of a good many Republicans in the House.

#### New England Uncertain.

Reports that are coming in from different sections of the country are not such as to make the Republican leaders happy. New England is a part of the country that seems to be home-combated with insurgency. The tariff law is as unpopular there as elsewhere. Since the loss of the Massachusetts House, the Republican chair in the House has been nervous. This nervousness is not detracted from by the fact that various New England members of the House, and stanch Republican members at that, are getting on the anxious seat as to re-election. Some of them are known to be extremely pessimistic.

With New England seething with insurgency, and with an insurgency that is aimed at high tariff and Cannonism, this is by no means all of the troubles of the Republican campaign management. The conditions in New York State are awry. The Republican party there is split into Hughes men and anti-Hughes supporters.

#### Ohio Is Upset.

Ohio is in a condition about as bad as ever. The governorship on the Republican side there is unsettled. The opposition to Judson Harmon does not appear to be making progress.

In all parts of the Middle West, and even as far out as the Pacific coast, there is strong insurgent sentiment.

The reports coming in show that this insurgency is based in part on hostility to Cannonism, and in part on objection to the recent tariff measure. Moreover, some of the Roosevelt Republicans are disposed to find fault with President Taft, on the ground his Administration has not followed out the Roosevelt policies.

### PERCY WILL RESIGN UNLESS INDORSED

Asks Mississippi Legislature for a Vote of Confidence.

JACKSON, Miss., April 15.—At noon today United States Senator Leroy Percy, whose election resulted in the recent charges of bribery and corruption being brought by State Senator Bilbo, appeared before the joint session of the State Legislature and demanded a vote of confidence.

If the Legislature believes, however, that his commission is tainted by fraud or corruption, Senator Percy said he would resign.

### ORGANIZE TO FIGHT THE BLIND TIGERS

BOGALUSA, La., April 15.—At a public meeting it was decided to form a law and order league, to elect officers to enforce the law as to blind tigers, gambling, and all other infractions of the peace and dignity of the town.

A committee was appointed to draw up rules governing the league, which is to be styled the Bogalusa Law and Order League, and which will carry out its objects to the letter for the good of the town.

#### The Vital Records.

**Births.**  
George M. and Ida Chalkley, boy, Benjamin T. and Nettie Henderson, girl, Lester and Lillian M. Velez, girl, Charles H. and Lena M. Murphy, boy, Dietrich and Katherine Horman, boy, Perry B. and Kitty E. Slum, girl, Edwin and Lena Boykin, girl, Emmet T. and Juliet M. Cross, girl, Arthur and Annie Mulloy, boy, Maurice B. and Annie C. Higbee, boy.

**Deaths.**  
Elizabeth M. Todd, 16 years, 1122 Vermont avenue northwest.  
Charles E. Kaldenback, 35 years, 932 New Jersey avenue northwest.  
John Castello, 39 years, Washington Asylum Hospital.  
Emma J. Giventer, 73 years, 1703 Eighth street northwest.  
Maria Louisa Woodward, 75 years, 125 New York avenue northwest.  
John W. Littleford, 67 years, 1320 K street southeast.  
Robert Bready, 67 years, U. S. Soldiers' Home, D. C.  
Mary W. Fitzgerald, 55 years, 532 Twenty-third street northwest.  
Timothy Gannon, 65 years, 1415 Q street northwest.  
Infant of Rachel and Louis Weintraub, George Washington Hospital.  
Infant of Thomas D. and Mary M. Thompson, Providence Hospital.

## JESSE HENRY WILSON DIES AT HOSPITAL

Operation Fails to Save Life of Noted Lawyer and Citizen.

### MOURNED BY MANY IN PUBLIC LIFE

Was Interested in School, Library, and Other Educational and Uplift Work.

Jesse Henry Wilson, for many years one of the most prominent men in civic life in Washington, and a lawyer of high standing in the District, is dead following an operation for an internal disorder, at the Homeopathic Hospital. Mr. Wilson was fifty-five years old and had at different times held various positions of trust and honor in this city.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the Dumbarton Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, the Rev. Charles E. Pate, pastor, officiating.

Members of Mr. Wilson's immediate family will act as pallbearers and burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Wilson was taken ill several months ago, and in the most careful attention his condition rapidly became worse until it became apparent to his physicians that an operation would be necessary to save his life. Accordingly he was removed to the hospital four days ago and the operation was performed.

#### Operation Unsuccessful.

For a few days it appeared to be singularly successful; then his condition changed and he sank rapidly. He died at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His wife and children were at the bedside when he died.

Mr. Wilson was born in Georgetown, January 3, 1855. At nineteen years of age he was graduated with distinction from the academic department of the Columbian University and two years later from the law school of the same institution. He immediately began the practice of his profession and in a few years had established a reputation as one of the best attorneys of the younger school in the District.

In 1877 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Woodward, which union five children were born.

Mr. Wilson was for a number of years vice president of the District Bar Association, and at the time of his death was an examiner of candidates for admission to practice before the District Supreme Court.

From 1895 until 1901 he was a member of the board of trustees of the Washington public schools and served several terms as chairman of the committee on ways and means of the high schools and the normal schools.

He was a director of the Potomac Insurance Company, a trustee of the Peabody Library and of the Dumbarton Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, and a member of the Columbian Historical Society, and the United Alumni Association.

The surviving children are Miss Elizabeth Wilson, Jesse H. Wilson, Jr., who for a number of years was associated with his father in the law, Thomas Wilson, and Ralph O. Wilson.

### TO UNL TABLES INDEPENDENCE

Committee on Marking Historic Spots Favors Proposed Plan.

Plans for carrying on the work of permanently marking the historic spots of Washington were discussed by the executive committee of the citizens' body appointed by the Commissioners at the Willard Hotel yesterday afternoon.

W. P. Van Wick, the chairman, brought up the matter of having two tablets marking two of the most prominent of the historical places, ready for unveiling on July 4 next, and every one present agreed to the plan. The type tablets to be used and the symbol to be adapted were also discussed.

Judge Barnard, chairman of the committee on plans and scope, made a report upon the plan to be followed by the citizens' committee in successfully carrying out the purpose for which they were appointed. This report was adopted and will be made public following a meeting to be held next week.

At the meeting next week H. B. F. Macfarland will present a report from the committee on legislation, of which he is chairman.

The world-famous food scientifically made of whole-wheat and barley, contains the blood-making, tissue-building, elements of these field grains, including the natural phosphate of potash (grown in the grains) which nature uses in making new brain and nerve cells.

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## SENATOR BURTON HASTILY DRESSING FROM BED

Hastily Donning Clothes He Addresses Delegation of Suffragists.

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subject in the Senate. And the delegates to the suffragist convention will be in the galleries to hear them.

On Tuesday two formal hearings will be held, one by the House Committee on the Judiciary and the other by the Senate committee on woman suffrage, a special committee of which Senator Clayton of Georgia is chairman.

A number of prominent suffragists will speak at tonight's meeting, which begins at 8 o'clock, and at tomorrow's meeting, which will be held in the Belasco Theater at 3 o'clock. Another open-air meeting will be held at Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

#### Letters From Clergy.

As a result of letters sent to Washington clergymen asking for their views on the woman suffrage movement many letters of indorsement have been received from ministers of all denominations. In addition to the very unique courtesy and attention shown to Mrs. Mary F. Craigie, the chairman of the national church woman committee, in person, she has also received letters from the Rev. Charles E. Pate, pastor, official.

Some of the letters received are in part as follows:

Dr. John Van Schaick, Jr., Church of Our Father, Unity, writes:

"I am heartily and unreservedly in favor of equal suffrage. By that I do not mean that I favor giving the ballot to all women any more than I favor giving the ballot to all men. But I do believe that men and women should be equal before the law."

"I recall now with the deepest gratitude the meetings which I have attended in my church, in past years, of the National Suffrage Association. I think of the great hearts and the clear heads of the men and women who were present at those gatherings and of the self-sacrificing labors which they are carrying on in this cause. I wish them and you success in all your efforts to co-operate in an way in my power."

#### "Human Progress Hindered."

Dr. James W. Wightman, of Gunton Temple Memorial, Presbyterian, writes:

"You ask in substance what are my views relating to the enfranchisement of women; which in my view is equivalent to asking what are my views of a continued wrong and of the propriety of seeking to have it righted."

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### SPANIARD ASKS INQUIRY.

MADRID, April 15.—El Pais, commenting upon the proposed raising of the United States battleship Maine, which sank in the harbor of Havana on the eve of the Spanish-American war, suggests that an examination of the wreck be made by a mixed commission of American, Spanish, and French engineers to determine the cause of the warship's destruction.

### THEIR OPERATION WOULD BE A GUIDE

At Present He Considers Canal and River Improvement in an Experimental Stage.

Senator Burton of Ohio resumed his attack on features of the river and harbor bill today.

The indications are, however, that Senator Burton will be able to effect few changes in the bill. The majority of the Senate is apparently disposed to put the bill through about as it came from committee.

A test was had last evening when Senator Burton collided with Senator Lodge. Senator Burton, after speaking for about two hours, offered an amendment striking from the bill provision for continuing work on a proposed harbor of refuge on the north side of Cape Ann.

The bill carries \$100,000 for this purpose. It is estimated that \$5,000,000 more is needed.

Mr. Burton scored this as one of the worst examples of piecemeal appropriations in the bill and figures it would take fifty-one years to finish the work at the rate he was now going.

Lodge defended the project and pleaded with the Senate not to strike out the appropriation. In the end, the motion of Senator Burton was overwhelmingly voted down. This was the first test of strength as between Senator Burton and the supporters of the bill.

Burton's Position.

In the course of the debate, Senator Burton defined his position as to what should be the waterway policy of Congress. He would center attention on two great projects, and hurry them to completion, the barge canal from Buffalo to the Hudson and the Ohio river. He would complete these, viewing them as to a certain extent experimental.

Having them finished, then he would learn from their operation what sort of traffic they could best carry and how best waterways could be carried on. He would not stop work on all other projects, but on a good many of them.

Senator Burton emphasized the idea that he considered waterway improvement in this country in the experimental stage.

One thing Senator Burton especially emphasized was that until Congress had the courage to pass laws which would prevent the railroads from driving the waterway out of business, the waterway problem would not be solved and it was well-nigh useless to go ahead with appropriations.

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